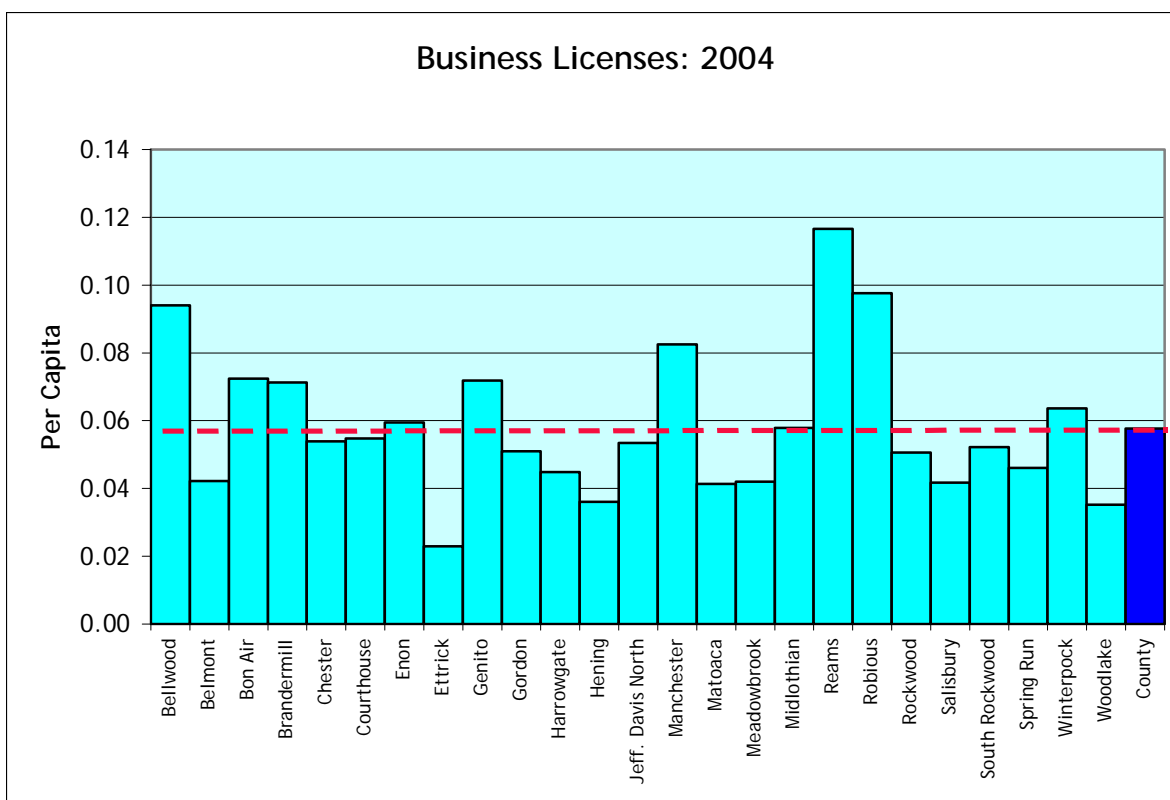


## Businesses

Just as a community needs well-maintained residential development to remain healthy, a community also needs healthy and active businesses. Businesses employ residents, provide services, participate as civic partners and help balance the tax base. This section examines business licenses, home-based businesses, and non-governmental employment. Additional business information is also available in the *Chesterfield County Business Report*, published by the Planning Department.

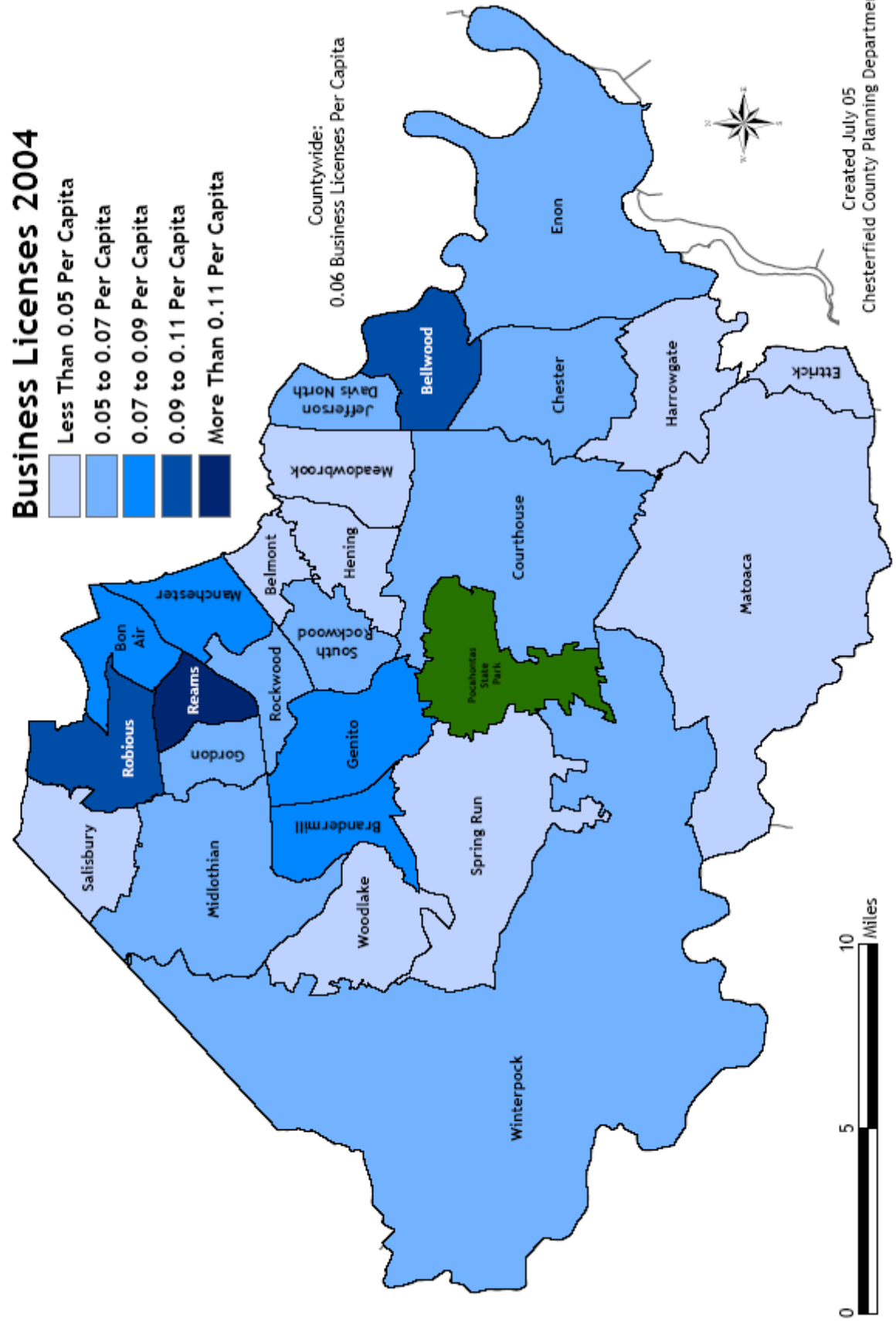
### BUSINESS LICENSES

About 16,800 business licenses were issued countywide in 2004 (0.058 licenses per capita). On a per capita basis, compared to 13,900 (0.049 licenses per capita) issued in 2003. Bellwood, Reams and Robious had the highest number of business licenses per capita. Ettrick, Hening and Woodlake had the fewest.



*Note: Limited information is available about the nature of businesses through local government. While many businesses are required to obtain business licenses, some are exempted from license requirements or operate without licenses. Also, most business information provided to local government is confidential.*

# Business Licenses: 2004



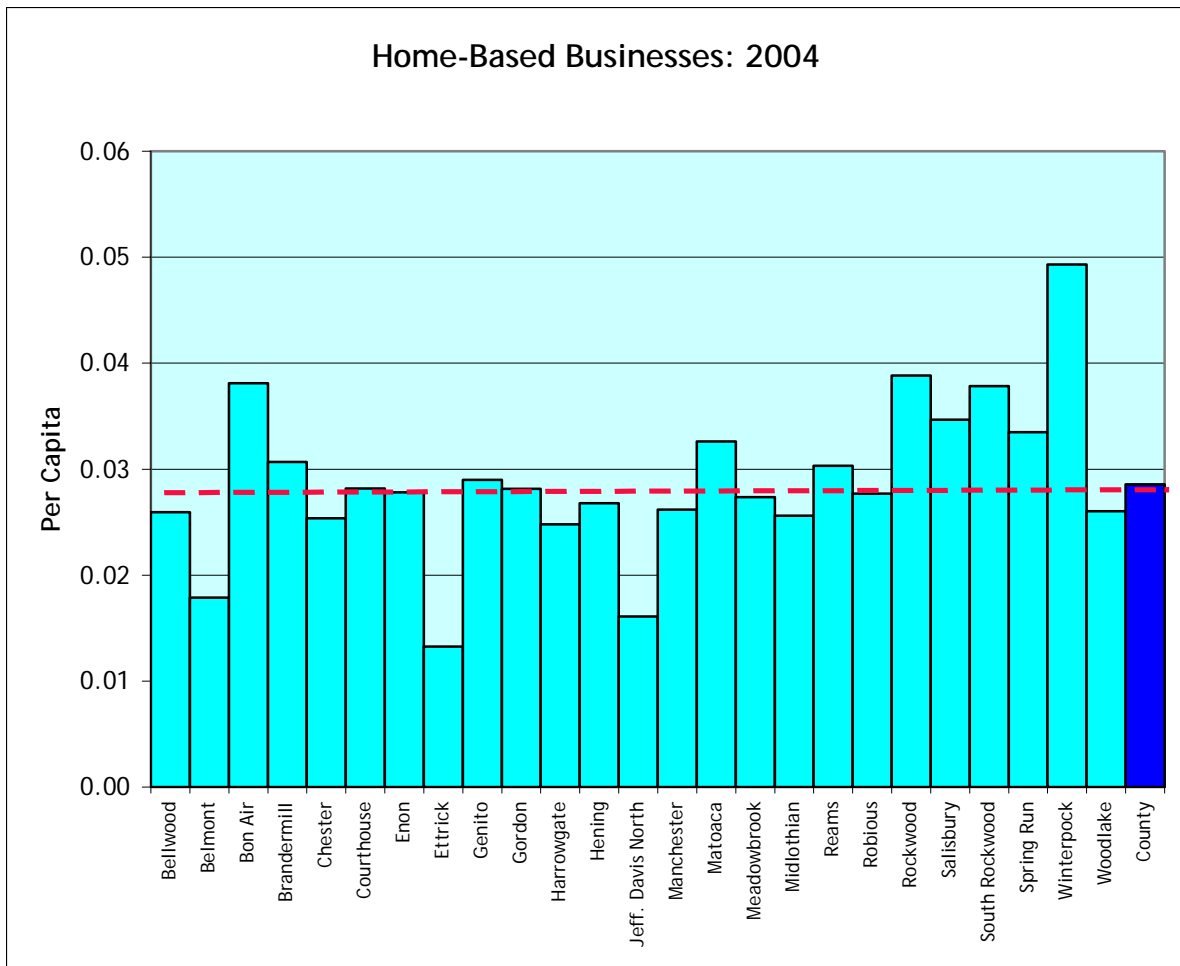


Small Business in Salisbury

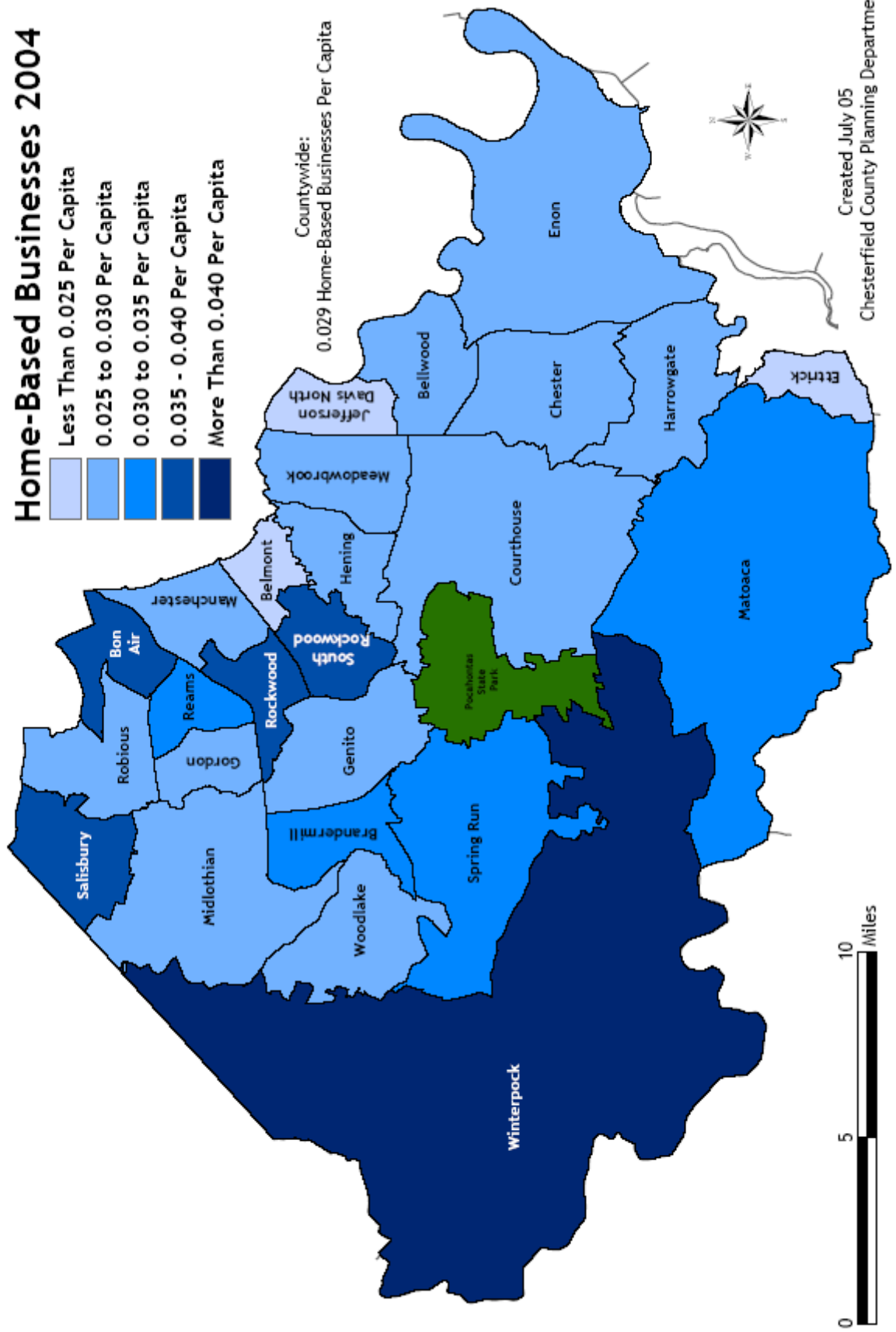
## HOME-BASED BUSINESSES

About 50 percent of all county business licenses were issued to residential addresses in 2004. There were 0.029 business licenses per capita issued to residential addresses in 2004, compared to 0.028 licenses issued in 2003.

Bon Air, Rockwood, South Rockwood and Winterpock had the highest per capita number of home-based business. Belmont, Ettrick, and Jefferson Davis Noth had the fewest number of home-based businesses per capita.



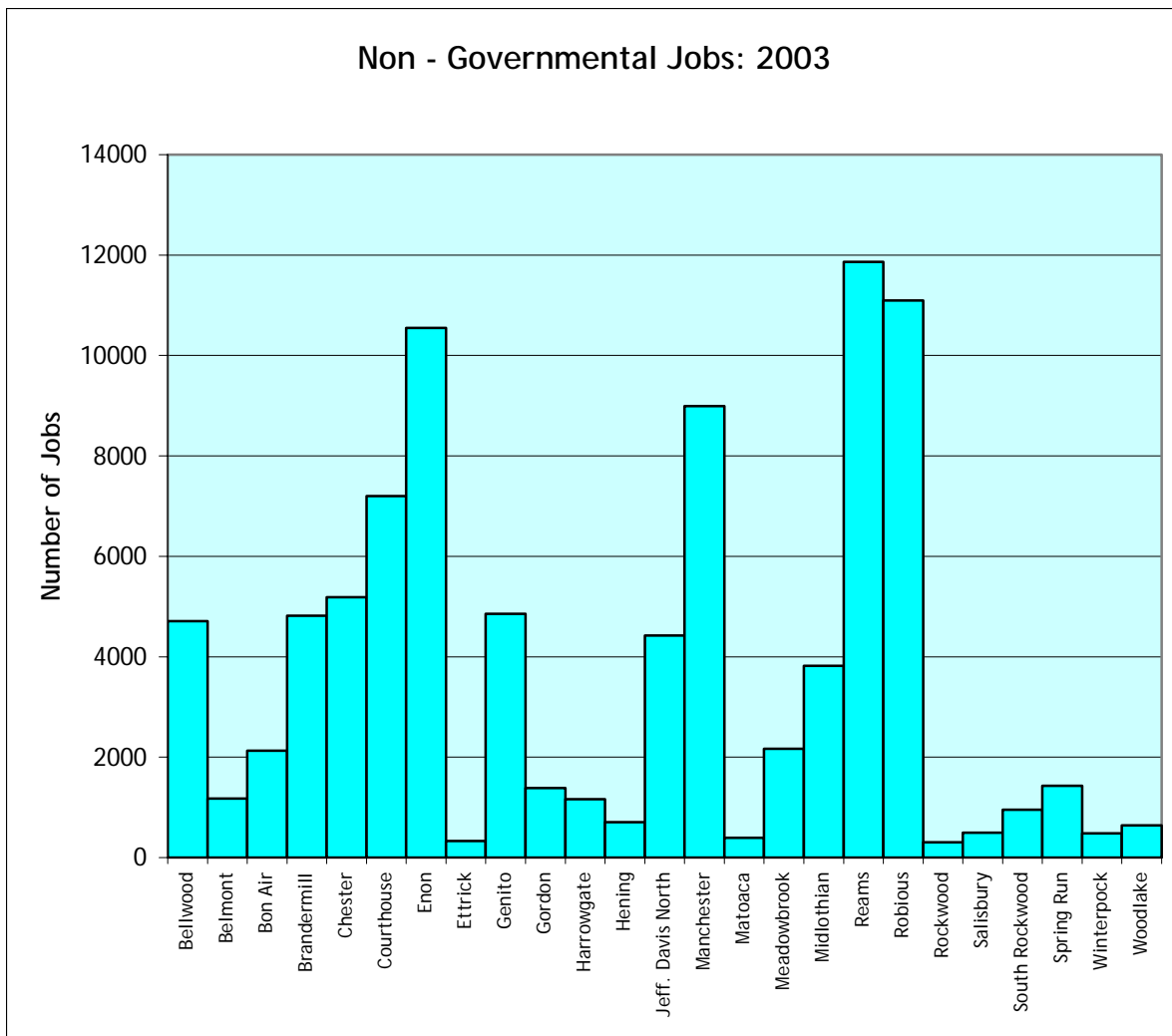
# Home-Based Businesses: 2004



## EMPLOYMENT (NON-GOVERNMENTAL JOBS)

During the second quarter of 2003 (the latest time period for available jobs data), there were approximately 91,300 non-governmental jobs in Chesterfield County.

Three communities, Enon, Reams, and Robious, each had more than 10,000 non-governmental jobs. Five communities, Ettrick, Matoaca, Rockwood, Salisbury and Winterpock each had fewer than 500 non-government jobs.



*Note: This report used Virginia Employment Commission (VEC) jobs data based on various employment sectors. Government sector jobs are "coded" with a single location at the administrative center for each applicable government agency. For example, since the Chesterfield County School Board offices are located in the Courthouse community, all county school jobs, even though these jobs are physically located throughout the county, are coded with a Courthouse community location. Since this distorts actual jobs data, government sector jobs were excluded from this analysis. In certain communities, especially in Courthouse (home to most Chesterfield County government offices) and Jefferson Davis North (home to Defense Supply Center Richmond), this approach significantly undercounted the total number of actual jobs.*

# Employee (Non-Governmental):2003

